

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

Claim (Original) Process for the preparation of an edible barrier for water and/or flavour and/or lipid transport in a food product, wherein a ferulylated compound is at least partly oxidized after applying it to the food product.

Claim 2 (Original) Process according to claim 1, wherein the ferulylated compound is a pectin.

Claim 3 (Original) Process according to claim 1, wherein the ferulylated compound is a vanillin coupled polymer, e.g. chitosan.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) Process according to ~~claims 1-3~~claim 1, said edible barrier having a thickness of about 2 to 1,500 micrometer.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) Process according to ~~any of claims 1-4~~claim 1, wherein the oxidation is carried out by an enzyme or enzymatic system.

Claim 6 (Original) Process according to claim 5, wherein the oxidation is carried out in situ by an enzyme or enzymatic system which is present in the food product.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) Food product covered by the barrier made according to the process of ~~claims 1-6~~claim 1.

Claim 8 (Original) Food product according to claim 7, comprising leaking ingredients such as vegetables, fruit, bread or fish.